

Voice of Zion & Peace

A NEWSLETTER FOR YOU

Zion Lutheran Church
Caroline, WI

Peace Lutheran Church
Split Rock, WI

October 2018



It's Colorama time in Caroline! Our annual three days of fun is set for Oct. 5-7. Our ladies have the pies ready for their sales at the Town Hall. This year, **Zion will be going back to the traditional time of worship on Sunday, Oct. 7 at 8:30 am.** The Lord's Supper will be celebrated at Peace (10:15 am) on the 7th and at Zion on the 14th. Be sure to invite those you know or meet that are in town this weekend to join us at either of our services.

We will be returning to our joint Thanksgiving/Deer Hunters service this year on **Thursday, Nov. 15.** Service will be held at Peace, starting at 6:30 pm. Bring an offering for food pantries. The Outreach Committee will be sponsoring a lunch after the service. Join us as we give our thanks to God for all the goodness He bestows, as well as pray for safety to our hunters.



The Zion choir is beginning on Monday, October 15, at 6 pm. We hope you consider joining such a great part of our worship, but we need your voices to help make it happen. Anyone from Peace and Zion are invited to join. Talk with Yvonne Schoen for more information.



Reformation Sunday

Our Joint Reformation Sunday Worship and Dinner, is set for Sunday, Oct. 28th at Zion. We will have worship at 10 am, then gather for a potluck dinner (PC's homemade brats provided)-if you would like to make a German themed dish you are welcome too, or look for the sign-up sheet. All proceeds (free will) goes to fund the work of the Outreach Committee for the year. There will be plenty of table prizes (some from Germany!) given out after the dinner! Hope to see you there and be sure to invite someone you know!



NALC Convocation

Our Wisconsin/Upper Michigan Mission District Convocation will be held on **Sat. Oct. 27**, from 11-4 pm at Zion Lutheran in Wausau, WI. Peace & Zion are to each be represented by a delegate. As dean, PC will be leading the meeting and preaching at worship. Please volunteer to be a delegate.

Prayer Concerns of the Parish

Bev Redman, Jason Kor, Dennis Pockat, Ron Grunewald, Ferdinand Malueg, Arlene Wuske, Donna Blankschien, Carole Krueger, Sharon Smith, Teresa Boysen, Brooke Bartz, Megan Zirik, Ray Faehling, Colby Wanta, Ken Raether, Bernice & Leroy Uecker, Luella Wuske, Kathy Krueger, Curt Clifford, Pastor Sachs, Dan Brandenburg, Alice Laufenberg, Natalie Pockat, Bryan Poirier, Justin Lehman, Joy Murray; Cory Handrich, Emily Malave, Jessalyn Kopitzke and their babies; Kelsey Gast in the US Air Force and our nursing home residents and shut-ins: Dolores Fietz, Diane Meyers, Bernice Begrow, Deloris Seefeldt, Gladys Wichmann, Paul Heger, Leonard & Ila Grunewald





Here is the list of the upcoming events at Peace & Zion

- OCTOBER:** Reformation Sunday – October 28th. We will have a dish to Pass meal. PC & Wendy will once again provide the home made brats!
- NOVEMBER:** Thanksgiving Service – November 15nd at Peace. Thanksgiving Food Drive.
- DECEMBER:** Bell Ringing for Salvation Army, Hymn sing to shut ins



Starting this month, we will begin live streaming our Zion worship services at 10:15 am to our private parish Facebook page. We are doing this as an extension of our outreach to the world around us, as well as letting our long-distance, shut-in and those members who happened to miss that day to worship “with” us, either by watching live or the recording. In this day and age of consuming “alternative” media, this is just another way for us to preach the Gospel to those either not able to, or currently not joining us.

We will be using a small camera and microphone set up in one of the front pews, fixed on the altar, pulpit and lectern. The only people that will be on camera is the pastor, organist and reader. We can always discuss turning it off during communion if people do not wish to be on camera.

If you have any questions or concerns, please come and talk to Pastor Craig.



Upcoming Meetings

Zion Council- Sunday, Oct. 14 @ 11:15 am

Parish Acts in September
Scott Spiegel funeral- Sept. 17

The Outreach Committee purchased a block of 10 tickets for an upcoming Mercy Me (Christian pop) concert at the Resch Center on Thurs.



March 21. To date, 6 are already spoken for. If you would like to go, let PC know and he will reserve your seat. If we have more interest, we will purchase more. Cost is \$38.

Jaxson Verg ushering at Zion



Altarpiece at Town Church, Wittenberg. Painted by Lucas Cranach, 1547



October Birthdays & Anniversaries

Zion

David Buss – October 2
Jeff Grunewald – October 2
Rachel Handrich – October 2
Janice Malueg – October 5
Jane Malueg – October 5
Bonnie Haas – October 6
Ted Jobe – October 10
Lee Verg – October 13
David Malueg – October 16
Terry Verg – October 26
Melissa Buss – October 27
Gary Grunewald – October 30

Peace

Jessalyn Koptizke – October 16
Val Natzke – October 18
Jessica Hammons – October 22
Rosie Marquardt – October 24
Gordon Spiegel – October 28
Tyler Hammons – October 31

Anniversaries

Dennis & Dawn Kersten – October 3
Darold & Julie Seefeldt – October 5
Gunner & Jessalyn Koptizke – October 7
Lee & Linda Kreklow – October 13
Robert & MaryAnn Bloedorn – October 14
Doug & Karin Seefeldt – October 23
Dave & Kathy Malueg – October 23
Jeremy & Brenda Brady – October 23
Curt & Joan Schampers – October 26
Andrew & Kacie Tiller – October 26
Mike & Linda Fritz – October 29

The outdoor service loose offering went to the Outreach Committee- \$220

Heartfelt 
THANKS
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Lay Readers:

Oct. 7: Open Open
Oct. 14: Open, Open
Oct. 21: Open, Open
Oct. 28: Joint service (1 from each P & Z)

Fellowship: Pringnitz's

Zion Ushers: Mike & Daniel Handrich

Zion Altar Guild: Deb Handrich & Donna Wuske

Radio Sponsorship:

Oct. 7: Scott & Marilyn Bauman
Oct. 14: Open
Oct. 21: Open
Oct. 28: Outreach Committee



Alexis Verg
ushering at
Zion

**Thank
You**



... to our lay readers in September: Henry Hoeksema
... to our Altar Guild at Zion: Megan Steinke & Kathy Malueg
... to Scott & Marilyn Bauman, Ron & Jamie Cannon, Terri & Jacob Graham, Bruce & Char Breitenfeldt for sponsoring the radio broadcasts in September
... to those who helped with the Scott Spiegel funeral at Peace
... to those who decorated for the fall season

...to Dale Klitz for his help in preparing and decorating the float for the Colorama parade. Thanks to Peg Krueger, Kathy Malueg, Carri Wanta, Lynn Grunewald, Dorothy Lundt for decorating the Colorama float
...to Ron & Donna Wuske for installing bathroom sink & vanity (donated by PC & Wendy) in parsonage
...to Gordon & Scott Spiegel for their help with Blue Ribbon Concert in July (not included in Sept. newsletter) and to Henry Hoeksema for help with Brat stand in July (name forgotten in Sept. newsletter)

Zion Monthly Meeting- September 9, 2018



Our meeting was called to order by President Ron Wuske. Members present were: Allan Buss, Rod & Vicki Riska, Bruce & Char Breitenfeldt, Ron Wuske and PC. Donna Wuske was a visitor. PC led devotions. MSC Rod/Bruce to approve the treasurer's report as printed. MSC Allan/Vicki to approve the secretary's report as read.

Pastor's report: PC will take the next segment of his sabbatical in November instead of September. Yvonne Schoen will check if her niece's group could lead a service in November instead of Sept. Rory and Melanie Mehlberg's baby will be baptized on October 14.

Old Business: Front doors: Tri-City's bid=\$3595 (no mullen between doors). LaForce=\$5380 (removable mullen between doors). MSC Vicki/Char to recommend LaForce replace front church doors with money to be taken from the Blankschien account at the congregational meeting. Printer: Rod suggested that we replace the printer before our maintenance contract expires. A new printer would cost \$2500 (\$1670 from Zion and \$830 from Peace). We'll check with Peace. PC reported that the bathroom sink was replaced in the parsonage. Ron said he put an LED light in PC's office.

New Business: PC said the well was inspected and passed inspection. PC and Wendy are considering buying a home in Clintonville instead of living in the parsonage. They ask if his pension allowance could go toward a housing allowance instead (no extra money involved for the congregations.) Will discuss more at next meeting. "Live-streaming" our church service--will be discussed at congregational meeting. Donna said the mat in PC's office (under chair) needs to be replaced. Rod will pick one up. Ron and Donna are installing aerosol units in each of the church bathrooms. Our next meeting will be October 14 at 11:15AM. MSC Rod/Bruce to adjourn. We closed with the Lord's prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Char Breitenfeldt, Zion Council Secretary

Peace Church Council Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Peace Lutheran Church-Split Rock was called to order by President Paul Kersten at 7:28am Sunday September 16, 2018. Members present with Paul Kersten, Larry Pringnitz, Steve Natzke, Dennis Kersten, Alan Breitenfeldt and Pastor Craig. The Secretary's was not read as no official meeting in August and joint minutes were not available. The Treasurers report was presented by Steve. Updated Budget YTD, we are in the black by \$1600. Benevolence giving is very low. Moved by Scott and seconded by Dennis to approve. Motion passed

Pastors Report: Pastor will attend CE October 9-11. November Thanksgiving service will be at Peace on November 15. Pastor will be attending Deans meeting in November Pastor off November 19-25. New format being tried for Sunday School.

New Business: Zion: copy machine not working properly, would like to purchase new one, our cost is \$1000 plus maintenance of about \$65 moved by Dennis seconded by Scott to approve, motion passed. Dennis brought up several items: DNR inspected water system, had to cut threads off of a faucet. Bubbler not working, James Gauthier will work on. Talked to Selle construction, they will bid on roof work in November. The Bug Blaster will be spraying this week. Pastor is completing list of updated phone numbers that will be available to contact members when needed like for funerals. Scott had a couple of items: Has the Wittenberg Telephone booster tower been done? No one was sure, think it has been installed elsewhere. Discussed power for Nativity, can we get battery or solar system so can be lit at night. Scott will work with Lee on this. He can do the foundation wally but not till later this fall. Discussed communion set up and take down as there has been some mis-communication. Pastor indicated he has discussed and all OK. Steve moved to increase organist pay to \$40 per service to match Zion. Seconded by Alan. Motion passed. This will be retroactive to 9/1/18. Pastor informed council he and Wendy is looking at purchasing a home in Clintonville. Not asking for full housing allowance. This will require a budget line item change only. No change in monetary. The council discussed suggestions that were presented and agreed that the constructive ones will be addressed in the future. Moved by Steve seconded by Larry to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 am

Respectfully submitted,
Alan Breitenfeldt



Pastor Craig will be attending an Answers in Genesis conference with a seminary classmate in Cincinnati, OH, Oct. 8-12 for a continuing education event. If you have an emergency, please call one of the church presidents.



Remember, to sponsor our sermons at 92.3, on Sunday mornings at 6:45 am. Each week, the cost is \$40 and we are looking for sponsors at Peace & Zion. Please look for the sign-up sheets at each church.

September 16, 2018-Zion Congregational meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Ron Wuske.

#1: Front door replacement. We received two quotes. La Force=\$5380.00. Has a removable mullen between the doors. Tri-City Glass=\$3595.00. No removable mullen between doors. Same type of door we have now. The council proposed that we go with LaForce and use funds from the Blankschein account. MSC Dennis Schoen/Cookie Malueg that we accept the proposal from the council.

#2: New copier. Total cost is \$2500 (\$1670 from Zion and \$830 from Peace). The council's proposal is to replace the current copier using funds from the Easter Breakfast fund. MSC Ron Malueg/Dennis Schoen that we accept the council's proposal.

#3: Live-streaming worship services on Facebook The discussion opened with our commission as Christians to go out into the world and spread the Word of God. We, as a congregation, are doing this with our Outreach Committee, with the Radio Broadcasts and now contemplating live-streaming our worship services. This was first brought up in the June Newsletter. It would involve a camera focused on the altar, pulpit and lectern only and a microphone. It would benefit our shut-ins, members who are ill, those who work weekends and could be seen by anyone who has facebook access. PC read some positive comments from other churches who have implemented this and it hasn't affected their church attendance negatively. Ron Wuske read a letter from April Grimm who favors this because they travel so much with Barry's job. There was one member not in favor of this who voiced his opinion a couple weeks ago. After much discussion, MSC Mike Handrich/Dennis Schoen that we live-stream our worship services on facebook. MSC Dennis Schoen/Gene Mehlberg that we adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,
Char Breitenfeldt, Zion Council Secretary



Building of Colorama Float



Peace
Sunday
School

Peace Financial Report

Receipts in August

Current Expenses: \$2196
Thrivent: \$208
Loose Collect: \$128
Fund raisers (deposited in July): \$981.78

Total: \$3663.51

Disbursements (Portion)

Pastor salary, benefits & professional: \$1985.16
Maintenance: \$3126.21 (\$2707-Yearly Insurance)
Organist: \$226.24
Shared Expenses: \$391.19

Total: \$5755.80

Zion Financial Report

Receipts in August (Portion)

Current Expenses: \$4800
Loose offering: \$240
Benevolence: \$490
Radio Broadcast: \$80
Text inserts: \$30

Total: \$5641.65

Disbursements (Portion)

Pastor salary: \$2948.10
Pastor housing & pension: \$1022.22
Phone: & internet: \$120.24
Electricity: \$379.22
VBS supplies: \$267.37
WTCH Radio Broadcast: \$225
Terry Verg (Outdoor Maint): \$188.39
RJS Dist. (bulletin covers): \$112.93

Total: \$5887.96

Balance on hand (August 31): \$23,167.09

2018 Donation to Benev: \$3795



Luther on...the Reformation

If you consider appearances, what do you see here at Wittenberg that is precious? You see nothing magnificent about the church. Truly, the town is built of clay. Yet it is an "ivory palace" of Christ. Just so the most insignificant village in which a pastor and some believers dwell is also a palace of ivory. But to see this you need other eyes than the eyes of the flesh; for this preciousness is estimated, not by appearances or by the verdict of the five senses and of reason or by laws or the arts or philosophy but by the Word of God.

-Exposition of Psalm 45:8, 1532



2017-18 Confirmation Class

This is our church newsletter and we want to hear from you! If you have a community, personal, or congregational event or story you would like to share, please contact Pastor Craig at cnehring@yahoo.com or Peg Krueger at pkreegs@gmail.com. Thanks!



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